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STATEMENT OF MRS. CLENG KIA SZE

The first date the Japanese entered NANKING, they fired and burnt our home, and we were proceeding to the refugee camp. There were the following in the party, my mother-in-law, my brother and his wife, two children of mine, and my brother-in-law's two children, aged 5 and 2 years of age.

As we were proceeding and came to a place called LAO WONG FOU, in Nanking City, we were met by twelve Japanese soldiers, including some officers, who wore swords. One of the soldiers wearing a sword, whom I thought was an officer, grasped my sister-in-law, and raped and then killed in the presence of her husband and children, who were killed at the same time. The husband was killed for trying to defend his wife and the two children were killed because they wept when their mother was being raped. The five year girl was suffocated by having her clothing stuffed in her mouth, and the boy was bayoneted. Their father and mother were both bayoneted and thereby killed. My mother-in-law was also bayoneted and died twelve days later. I fell to the ground, and escaped later with my two children. This all happened about 10 o'clock in the morning, and in broad daylight on the streets of Nanking. I was an eye witness of all this. I went to the refugee camp, and on the way saw many corpses of women and civilian men. The women had their apparel pulled up, and looked like they had been raped. I saw about twenty, mostly women.

Henry Chiu translated this to me.

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